Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee Monday, May 16, 2011, 4:30 PM Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis R. Phillips
Alderman Valerie Joh
Vice-Mayor Benjamin K. Mallicote
Alderman Jantry Shupe
Alderman Larry A. Munsey (arrived late at 4:45 p.m.)

City Administration
John G. Campbell, City Manager
J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney
James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.

- **2. ROLL CALL:** By Deputy City Recorder Angie Marshall. Absent: Alderman Charles K. Marsh, Jr.
- 3. WORK SESSION TICKLER. Mayor Phillips mentioned the parking garage was looking good. He also noted the Food City Gas 'n Go was blending in well. Assistant to the City Manager Chris McCartt explained the process and time frame for repaving the Farmer's Market parking lot. Mr. McCartt also discussed the bidding process for the Aquatic Center, noting more definitive results from the low bidder should be available for the June business meeting. The new downtown art sculptures were commended by the Board members. Alderman Parham commented on the success of the downtown events this past weekend, including Racks by the Tracks. Alderman Joh pointed out that all 35 animals for the carousel project have committed carvers.
- 4. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE MAY 17, 2011 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager Campbell, members of staff and community members provided a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:
- VI.AA.1 Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution to Amend that Portion of the Plan of Services for the Parker Lane Annexation Area Pertaining to the Provision of Street Lights (AF: 108-2011). City Manager Campbell noted this was the first request for citizens not wanting street lights in an annexed area. City Planner Jason Meredith explained that 24 out of the 27 affected residents who were annexed in 2009 signed the petition, noting they liked the country feel and thought that street lights would be too invasive. Public Works Director Ryan McReynolds clarified for Mayor Phillips the monthly tariff structure paid by the City for street lights.
- VI.D.2 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract between the City of Kingsport and the Tennessee Department of Transportation for Maintenance Activities Performed on Designated State Highways and for Mowing and

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Litter on J. B. Dennis (AF: 104-2011). City Manager Campbell stated this was the standard annual agreement. Public Works Director Ryan McReynolds provided details on the progress of the current mowing schedule as well as storm clean-up activities.

VI.D.7 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Renew Long-Term Disability Insurance Coverage with Reliance Standard Insurance Company for Employee Long-Term Disability Insurance (AF: 117-2011). Alderman Parham asked if this was a continuation of what the City is currently doing and City Attorney Billingsley confirmed this was the same product. There was a brief discussion regarding allowing Board members to participate in the health insurance program. Mr. Billingsley noted the City Charter may have to be changed in order for this option to be available for future Boards. City Manager Campbell stated he would look into this issue.

BOARD COMMENT. None.

PUBLIC COMMENT. None.

5. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session,

Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

DENNIS R. PHILLIPS

Mayor

Deputy City Record